

GRANTS WEB PAGE MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT

A. EXISTING GRANTS

1. PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICES

a. **2010 AFG Application**

The Town has received a grant through FEMA's AFG grant program to purchase portable communications radio equipment as part of it's effort to upgrade the current system to be P-25 compliant as well as meet the 2013 federal mandate to complete the "narrow banding" process as well as convert from analog to digital operations. The amount of the grant is **\$65,331** with a match of \$3,438.

Status: Radios have been purchased as part of Communications System Improvements Project and reimbursement has been received.

b. **2009 Bullet Proof Partnership (DOJ) Grant**

A grant through the U. S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance was previously awarded to the Town in the amount of **\$5,090** for replacement bulletproof vests for the Town's Police Officers. Matching funds are required and the total project cost is \$10,180.

Status: To date, \$9,348 worth of vests have been purchased by Police Department.

c. **Edward Byrnes Grant (DOJ)**

This was a grant award to purchase uniforms, vests, firearms, gear and other necessary equipment (**\$25,550**) for one (1) Police Officer position should it be funded through the COPS grant application. However, that position was not funded by COPS and through an amendment, the Town is now using this grant for "add-ons" to vehicles to be purchased.

Status: Equipment has been purchased for one vehicle by the Police Department. To date, \$8,739 has been expended from this grant.

d. **2010 Tohono O'odham Nation 12% Gaming Grant**

The Town has been awarded a **\$65,000** grant to purchase portable and mobile communications radio equipment as part of it's effort to upgrade the current system to be P-25 compliant as well as meet the 2013 federal mandate to complete the "narrow banding" process and convert from analog to digital operations. The total project cost is \$129,442.

Status: Radios have been purchased as part of Communications System Improvements Project.

e. **2010 Homeland Security Program Grant (HSPG)**

On February 16, 2010, Council approved submitting a grant application to AZDOHS for \$1,532,000 to conduct Public Safety Communications Improvements, and as a part of that application, also approved a commitment of up to \$766,000 in matching funds. Staff recently received notice that AZDOHS has offered **\$280,000** in partial grant funding to assist the Town in purchasing two dispatch consoles, a 100 foot radio tower, a 50kw emergency generator and miscellaneous supporting equipment. The Town would provide matching funds for these items. Further, the application for this grant is one of four submitted by the Town for our total communications needs. Staff also recently received notice of an award from Tohono O'odham Nation for \$65,000 for Public Safety Radios, and applications to FEMA and the Gila River Indian Community are still pending.

Status: Waiting for approval of Environmental Review by DHS. The Town requested a

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90-day extension on 8-1-11 which was approved. Agreement with Canyon State Wireless (CSW) to install the new system was approved at the 9/6/11 Town Council Meeting.

f. 2011 Drug, Gang and Violent Crime Control Grant (DGVCC)

The Town has received a federal America Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) grant worth an estimated **\$7,500** through the Arizona Criminal Justice Commission to cover overtime and overtime related ERE costs for the Police Department's Narcotics Officer in order to continue to participate as a member of the Pinal County Narcotics Task Force. This grant is needed as the previous HIDTA 20 grant has been fully expended.

Status: Funds are now in use. Grant is administered by Pinal County Sheriff's Office.

g. High Intensity Drug Trafficking Alliance (H.I.D.T.A.) 21

The Town previously applied for and received a HIDTA 21 grant for **\$50,771** from the City of Tucson Police Department (CTPD) in order to continue to participate in the Pinal County Narcotics Task Force. This task force provides undercover officers from area agencies who infiltrate, investigate and attempt to capture and take down illegal drug trafficking operations.

Status: The Town has now been awarded an additional \$10,000 for this program from the City of Tucson. The new total grant amount is \$60,771.

2. COMMUNITY SERVICES/DEVELOPMENT

a. 2010 Local Transportation Assistance Fund (LTAF) II

An allocation will be approved for **\$20,710** for FY10-11 funding to offset the transportation costs for the senior center program.

Status: Funds were used to reduce the impact on the General Fund for Senior Center transportation related expenses. This fund had a balance of \$8,149.36 as of 9/30/11.

b. 2011 Tohono O'odham Nation 12% Gaming Grant (TO)

Once again, the Town has received a grant award to sponsor the Pinal County Historical Society for this grant program. PCHS wishes to upgrade their PC network and software so that they can properly track and catalog donations received in compliance with ARS statutes. This project will cost about **\$11,707** to complete. No matching funds are required.

Status: Letter of sponsorship was provided to the Tohono O'odham Nation

3. HISTORIC PRESERVATION

a. 2010 Certified Local Government Grant

The Town has been awarded a 2010 CLG grant application to obtain scholarship funds for HDAC board members to attend the State Preservation Conference. This is a 50/50 matching grant program. The Town has submitted an application in the amount of \$1,500 worth of local funds being leveraged for a **\$1,500** CLG grant for a total of \$3,000.

Status: Final quarterly report has been submitted. Grant funds were used for Preservation Conference in July, 2011. Only \$918 was spent from this grant as most of the attendees did not accrue any allowances budgeted for travel expenses (i.e., overnight accommodations, per diem, etc.). The Town's contribution was approximately \$918.

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b. 2011 Certified Local Government Grant

The Town has received another CLG grant for FY2011/12 to obtain scholarship funds for HDAC board members to attend the State Preservation Conference. This is a 50/50 matching grant program. The Town had submitted an application in the amount of **\$1,500** worth of local funds being leveraged for a \$1,500 CLG grant.

Status: Previously awarded for 2012 conference

4. **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

a. Main Street Streetscape Project

The Town was previously awarded a **\$500,000** TEA-21 grant from the Federal Highway Administration, through ADOT, to perform enhancements to north Main Street in order to revitalize the local economy along this right-of-way corridor. Currently, the grant fund has a balance of \$399,000 after payment of all architectural and engineering fees to date. **\$55,269** of prior LTAF II funds were also set aside for this project as well.

Status: Pending completion of SSP grant for curb ramps. To date, \$100,676 has been spent on design and bid documents.

b. 2008 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) RA Funds

The Town received an allocation of **\$273,293** for FY07/08 for Commercial Rehabilitation for downtown businesses. The scope of work may include store front renovations, addressing building code issues, signs and facades.

Status: The Commercial Rehab Specialist and staff have finalized the inspection and work write-up reports, structural reports, cost estimates, and executed the write-up agreements with the property owners. The 30% design drawings have also been completed and approved by the Historic District Advisory Commission (HDAC). To date, \$13,013 has been spent.

c. Rural Economic Development Program (REDP) Grant

An REDP grant application was awarded to the Town on behalf of Mr. Mario Lizarraga of L&B Foods Inc. to acquire audio visual equipment to develop a film presentation of the areas history as well as secure marketing services and for the development of a web site. This grant is for **\$33,000** with **\$1,650** or 5% of the award being retained by the Town to cover the grants administrative costs.

Status: This grant has been fully expended and the final reimbursement of \$4,279.26 is now pending.

5. **ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES**

a. Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG) (I.T. Efficiency)

A grant has been awarded by the Arizona Department of Commerce (DOC) for new energy efficient I.T. computer equipment in order to reduce the Town's I.T. electrical usage. The grant allocation is in the amount of **\$117,981**. This is considered "Green Technology" in that it will save the Town 50% of its energy costs when Town pc's are in use.

Status: This grant has now been fully expended and the final reimbursement is pending.

b. Pinal County Energy Efficiency Conservation Block Grant (EECBG)

Pinal County was allocated EECBG funds for the purpose of increasing energy efficiency or contributing to a green environment. Pinal County allocated its share of the funds to all of

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the communities in Pinal County. Each community is to receive **\$42,800**. The Town has changed its project scope to purchase two (2) cardboard compressors to be installed inside the Town's Public Works Maintenance Yard. All Town generated cardboard will be crushed and prepared for recycling through the use of these compressors.

Status: The grant project has recently been completed and the Town's final reimbursement payment of \$13,890.76 is now pending.

6. PUBLIC WORKS

a. **2010 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) RA Funds**

The Town is scheduled to receive a CDBG Regional Account allocation of **\$279,270** for the purchase and installation of diesel generators on water wells #1, #4 and #5. This will ensure that the Town has an assured power supply to run the water wells (as well as its hydrants) at full capacity even during extended power outages. Approximately \$125,000 worth of funds from the CIP Fund or Water Enterprise Fund will be earmarked as available matching funds should they be required to cover any costs above the amount of the grant. The project is estimated at \$404,270.

Status: The electrical assessments for wells #1 and #5 are completed. Public Works has submitted the system design spec to the consultant engineer who is working on the single line drawings, conduit diagrams, site plan and instrumentation in conjunction with a new liquid chlorination system for both Well No. 1 and Well No. 5 sites. There is concern about "dirty power" received from SCIP on Well No. 1 and Public Works is working to resolve that issue in conjunction with the generator. This "factor" will have to drive the final specifications for Well No. 1 and may necessitate a "sole source" specific type of generator that will operate in this type of fluctuating environment. Public Works has also communicated with Pinal County's Air Quality Control personnel to ensure that the EPA Tier levels are met in terms of their emissions strategy as well as ISO transient response.

SUBTOTAL OF EXISTING GRANTS: \$1,846,272

B. PENDING APPLICATIONS

1. **State Special Projects Grant (SSP) – Downtown ADA Improvements**

An application has been drafted for a possible 2011 SSP Grant to install ADA Curb-cut ramps in the downtown Main Street area in the amount of **\$300,000**. Final applications are due by June 30, 2011 to ADOH. These ramps are necessary prerequisites to meet federal ADA requirements so that the key elements of the TEA-21 grant funded "Main Street Streetscape" Plan can move forward. This grant would require matching funds from the CIP fund in the amount of \$150,000.

Status: Tentative award has been made pending satisfactory completion of Conditional Reservation Response (CRR). Plans and construction documents have been completed and Grants staff has prepared a draft RFP for the general contractor services.

2. **2010 Homeland Security Program Grant (HSPG)**

Approval to submit a new application for additional portable radios in the upcoming 2011 HSPG grant cycle was authorized at the 3/21/11 Town Council meeting. This grant is in support of the Town's ongoing communications systems upgrade project. Also, if fully funded, the grant

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will be in the amount of **\$139,306**. Council also gave approval to accept partial funding if offered.

Status: Just submitted and is under review by Homeland Security Review Committee.

3. 2011 Gila River Indian Community 12% Gaming Grant

In the upcoming fiscal year, an emergency response pickup truck and four police cruisers were approved by the budget committee. In order to save the Town money, staff is proposing to submit an application for these vehicles. The Town will be asking for **\$135,000** from GRIC and indicating a \$90,000 Town match.

Status: Application submitted.

4. 2011 San Carlos Indian Nation 12% Gaming Grant (SCIN)

Grants staff has submitted an application in the amount of **\$6,380** for the rehabilitation and installation of the Florence Hotel Sign. Request includes the cost to refurbish the sign and make it functional as well as the cost to re-mount it and wire it in to the electric service of the Silver King building. The specific location will be determined by HDAC review recommendation as well as the signs mounting structural requirements. No matching funds are required.

Status: Just submitted

6. 2011 AFG Application (FEMA)

The Town has applied for a 2011 Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) through the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) to purchase and install a vehicle exhaust capture and filtration system for Fire Station 549 (downtown) to eliminate the presence of toxic exhaust fumes throughout the fire station whenever vehicles are running or idling in the bay in the amount of **\$50,400**. FEMA has given a high priority to the installation of exhaust capture systems. \$5,600 from Capital Improvements Fund #11 will serve as the required matching funds.

Status: Just submitted

SUBTOTAL OF NEW GRANT APPLICATIONS: \$631,086

SUMMARY OF GRANTS

SUBTOTAL OF EXISTING GRANTS	\$1,846,272
SUBTOTAL OF NEW GRANT APPLICATIONS	<u>\$ 631,086</u>
TOTAL OF ALL GRANTS	\$2,477,358